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W. J SELLICK -- DRY BOODS, BOOTS AND SHOES.

# A BUSY WEEK.

Our stock of Christmas Goods is complete as every department is full of popular goods for the

Buyers will find our goods well displayed and marked in plain figures for their convenience and our selling force will be sufficient to handle the crowds that will be with us this week.

#### SUGGESTIONS.

Five Cents will buy the best Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs. Ladies' Plain H. S. Handkerchiefs, Gents' Plain H. S. Handkerchiefs, Gents' Colored Border Handkerchiefs.

Ten Cents will buy Gents' Initial Japonette Handkerchiefs, Gents' White H. S. Handkerchiefs, Gents' Colored Border Handkerchiefs, Ladies' and Misses' Wool Mittens, Satin Covered Heart Shaped Pin Cushions.

What 25 cents will Buy. Gents' all linen H. S. Initial Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Fine Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Fancy Side Elastics, Gents' Neck Wear, Children's Stockinette Caps,

Art Linen Stand Covers, Mens' and Boy's Neck Scarfs, Elegant Linen Towels, Ladies' Aprons, Fascinators-all colors, Ladies' 10 Button Overgaiters.

What 50 cents will buy. Ladies' Fine to Button Overgaiters, Ladies' Kid Mittens-Fur Wrists, Gents' Silk and Wool Mufflers, Gents' New Harvard Mufflers, Ladies' Fine Linen Handkerchiefs-lace edges, Heavy Damask Towels, Pillow Shams in Cut Work, Ladies' and Gents' Tennis Gowns, Children's Sleeping Suits, Gents' Emb. Slippers, Ladies' Dressing Sacques, Ladies' Fancy Aprons, Gents' Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, Children's Knit Caps, Misses' Knit Caps, Ladies' Purses, Men's Night Shirts.

75 cents buys the following: Gents' Emb. Slippers, Ladies' Fancy Aprons, Ladies' Kid Mittens, Gents' Neck Mufflers, Gents' Harvard Scarfs, Ladies' and Gents' Tennis Gowns, Ladies' Muslin Gowns, Ladies' Fancy Knit Skirts, Ladies' Fine Purses.

One Dollar buys: A Fine White Bed Spread, Ladies' Kid Gloves-Black and Colors, Ladies' Wool Eiderdown Dressing Sacques, Gents' Silk Mufflers and Harvard Scarfs, Ladies' extra length Jersey Leggins, Ladies' solid color Pink and Blue Night Robes, made of Daisy Cloth, Pair Nottingham Lace Curtains, Ladies' Wool Shirt Waists, Gents' Fine Slippers.

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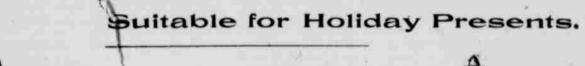
ladies' Fine, Heavy Wool Knit Skirts \$1.25, Ladies' Fur Scarfs \$1.75 to \$6 oo, Ladies' Collar- I have a number of select farms, large ettes \$2.50 to \$20.00, Ladies' Muffs 98c to \$5.50, Children's Thibet Fur Sets \$1.50, Ladies' Mufflers Black and Gold Colors \$1.25, Boys' Plush Caps 35c-Gents' 5oc, Ladies' and Misses' Jackets 1 off Ladies' Wrappers 98c, Rugs and Tapestry Curtains, Fine Bed Spreads at \$1.25 to \$6 00.

J. W. SELLICK.

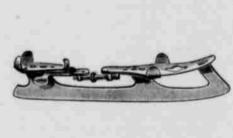
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A Few Very Useful

## Hardware Articles







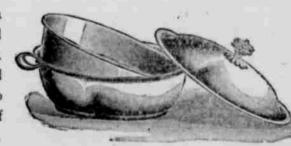


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Nickel plated Serving Dishes at \$1.25, Tea Kettles 95c, Teaspoon, Knife and Fork and Water Trays at 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50. Barney & Berry Skates at 40c. The best Steel Hand Sled made \$1.00. Potato Mashers 20c. Crumb Trays and Scrapers, 85 cents. A mammoth line of Kitchen and Stove Hardware of all descriptions.



A great array of Carpenters' Tools. Nothing more suitable than a good tool. Diston's Saws, Madole Hammers, Plumb Hatchets, P. S. & W's Chisels, Bit Braces, Bailey Planes, Etc.





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A lot of Hardware Articles which make good gifts: Clothes Wringers \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25 and \$4.00, Bench Wringers \$2.50, Washing Machines \$3.50, Sad Irons per set \$1.25. Toy Money Banks 25c, Toy Flat Irons 1oc, Soap Stones 2oc, Universal Meat Chopper \$1.35. Roasting Pans 50c, 1847 Rogers Bro's Flat Silverware. We have a big line marked on short margins.

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Loren Curtiss. Physician and Surgeon. Office in the Manning Block, opposite First National Bank. Office hours, 1 to 4 and 7 to 8 p.m.

Dr. E. D. Sargent, First door west of Town Hall, Glendale, Mich.

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and small. Also some fine village property. Houses and lots at sacrifice prices. Parties wishing buy will do well to see me before purchasing.

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Schedule of Teachers' Examinations For

Schedule of teachers' examinations for At Paw Paw, March (beginning last

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interior, I shall hold myself in readiness to transact any business before the department that may be intrusted to me. later for burial. His widow Especial attention will be given to pen- Charles reside in this village. ion claims. O. W. ROWLAND. 03tf]

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#### Local Department.

The Northerner wishes a merry Christmas to all. A. H. Campbell of Mattawan was in

town Monday. Read the new advertisement of the

Home bakery. E. E. Downing went to Chicago, Monday, on business.

P. T. Streator went to Galesburg this week on business.

Attention is called to the new Mc-Cormick adv. in this paper. Waters & Co. suggest useful holiday

Mrs. Emmie Darling is the guest of Detroit friends for the holidays.

The Lawton Leader issued a very creditable holiday edition last week. Mrs. John McGuire leaves to-day for

gifts, in their adv. this week.

Mannie, Tennessee, where she will reside.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Buskirk for the holi-

writing it "Xmas" is having his innings Mrs. Frank Rhodes and little son left

for Chicago, Friday, where her husband has a position. Regular review of Paw Paw hive, L. O. T. M., Saturday, afternoon at 1 o'clock:

election of officers. A junior endeavor society has been organized in the Disciple church. Meetings

are held Sunday afternoons at 3:30. Lloyd Williams has gone to Missis-

same road.

village and Lawton. Married, Saturday afternoon, December 16, at the Clifton house, Mr. Ira account for the egging. Cleveland of Bangor and Mrs. Emma Flanders of Berlamont, Rev. Anna Barton officiating.

vineyard and orchard.

Charles Bernard, the South Haven circuit court on a charge of assault with intent to kill. He was unable to give \$6,000 bail and is in jail.

The Northerner office will be closed Christmas day. We would appreciate the favor if advertisers would get their advs.for next week in very early, so as to give the boys a holiday. Charles Stevens, a former resident of

this place, died Thursday night at Milwaukee. The body will be brought here later for burial. His widow and son

December 20, and last until all are sold. Bryar secretary.

W. J. Sellick has a large Christmas adv. ladies. Cost will cut no figure in the J. M. Longwell, Dr. Hoyt, H. W. Showerselling price.

The annual ball and reception of Maple Grove lodge No. 198, Knights of December 29. The reception will be at ed by the ball at the opera house.

Clinton D. Smith of Lansing is expect- | stances ed soon to meet the patrons of the Glen-Manufacturing Co. of Kalamazoo will be this matter. present at the same time to talk on silos and ensilage.

miles east of Paw Paw, in Almena town- W. R. Sellick, Geo. M. Harrison. ship, Tuesday, December 26. H. W. McCabe is auctioneer.

Father Clarson from Howell has be ssigned to St. Mary's church in this place and has commenced his work.

The Modern Woodmen and Royal Neighbors of Glendale will give a select holiday ball at the Woodman opera house, Wednesday evening, December 27.

Married, at the township of Arlington, December 10, by Fred R. Kelly, Esq., Aaron Babbitt and Florence Payne. Mr. Kelly is the youngest justice in Van Buren county and this was his A few thousand dollars to foan on real first wedding. There has to be a first time, Fred, for all things.

The new incandescent dynamo for the electric light plant arrived several days ago. The men from the factory came Monday to set it in operation. They now have it in the electric light building and expect to make the change to-day, starting the new machine this evening.

Attorney David Anderson, on Tuesday of this week, filed in the U.S. court at Grand Rapids a petition in bankruptcy, on behalf of Frank J. Webb of this place. This is the first case of this kind from Van Buren county that has come to our notice since the new bankruptcy law went into effect.

They're going; suits, overcoats and ulsters, but not yet gone. It's the final call for eighteen hundred and ninety-nine. There's a saying of old and well-known fame, "the last's the best of all the game." A merry Christmas and a liberal endowment of good things that come with it is the wish of L. Smith & Co.

J. Ed. Phillips has sold his furniture and undertaking business to Mr. Shoesmith from Leslie, Michigan, who will take possession about January 1. The purchaser is an experienced undertaker. Mr. Phillips has built up a fine business in his line, and our people will dislike to see him leave it. We hope he will not leave town, but get into some new enter-

Three state items dated December 18, are as follows: Judge Davis, at Ionia, sentenced Wesley Bennett, the murderer, to 12 years at Jackson. Judge Stone, at Marquette, sentenced Jacob Lassonen, for manslaughter, to two years and a half imprisonment. Judge Chester, at Adrian, J. W. Beistle of Buchanan visited his sentenced William Carroll to twenty daughter, Mrs. R. E. Jennings, over Sun-years in Jackson for stealing a horse. Horses seems to be more valuable than Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Butler are guests of men.

All the old ladies in the village of Paw Paw who are alone and have no friends And now the crank that persists in to invite them to a Christmas dinner, and have no Christmas dinner at home, are invited to come to the City restaurant, where they will be received as honored guests and provided with a bountiful dinner at 12:00 o'clock, free. Those who accept this invitation must come or send for a ticket as early as the 22d or 23d, in order that it may be known how many to provide for.

Bangor was recently visited by a "hoochee-koochee" show, for the delectation of "men only." The dance was executed by a negress and the people sippi, where he has a position on a rail-treated the institution to a shower of road. A. A. Mentor is employed on the eggs at the close of the performance. The wench ran, but the proprietor, a Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Jennings entertain- cripple, the Advance says, "got peppered ed a company of guests Saturday even- good and plenty." Possibly the 75 men ing, among them a number from this who planked their 25 cents each expected to see a Caucasian woman instead of an African, which may in a measure

A large audience assembled at the Disciple church last Sunday afternoon in attendance upon the Washington L. H. Titus has purchased 20 acres of memorial service held under the auspices the Hoskins place in Antwerp, adjoining of the grand army boys. Rev. W. F. his on the north, thus giving him an 80 Allen, pastor of the Baptist church, acre farm, which he will mostly plant to delivered an appropriate address, which was followed by a few brief remarks by Comrade O. W. Rowland. A choir conshooter, has been bound over to the sisting of singers from different churches furnished the vocal music, and Messrs. Ball and Taylor rendered a cornet duet. The exercises closed by all joining in singing America followed by "taps" on the cornet.

### INTENDS TO KEEP IT.

PAW PAW HAS NO IDEA OF LETTING THE COUNTY SEAT GO BY NEGLECT.

The circuit court room was filled with representative citizens last Thursday evening, in response to the call of Village Showerman Bros. being overstocked President Cavanaugh for a public meeton overcoats, owing to the mild weather, ing to consider the question of county Mrs. Van Fleet's millinery store is the baye inaugurated a slaughter sale on seat removal. T. J. Cavanaugh was bargain center of the city. Please call I all overcoats, to take effect Wednesday, made chairman of the meeting, B. P.

Short, pointed talks were made by this week. His special end of the season Supervisor Warner, Messrs. J. E. prices on millinery, not quoted in the Chandler, O. W. Rowland, F. P. Grimes, adv., will be especially interesting to the J. N. Reynolds, I. B. Conner, Thos. Welch. man, I. J. Cumings, W. R. Sellick and others-all favoring action looking towards the retaining of the county seat Pythias, will be given Friday evening, Paw Paw. There was no useless bombast, the castle hall from 7 till 9 o'clock, follow-business consultation as to what is best to be done under the existing circum-

I. B. Sheldon of Bangor was present, dale creamery and talk to them on dairy and gave the cheering news that the peofarming. Homer Manvel of the Williams ple of his town were with Paw Paw in

On motion of Dr. Hoyt, the chairman was instructed to appoint a committee to Bills printed at the Northerner office take charge of Paw Paw's interests, soannounce that Mrs. E. W. Miller will licit subscriptions, etc. The following have an auction sale of sheep, horses and gentlemen have been appointed: I. Jay farm property, 2 miles north and 11/2 Cumings, J. M. Longwell, H. A. Chapin,

The meeting adjourned subject to call

by the chairman.